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MAN PLEADS GUILTY
IN CHILD PORNOGRAPHY OFFENSE

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE: United States Attorney Tom Colantuono announced that Daniel J. Aiken, formerly of Londonderry, appeared in United States District Court today and pleaded guilty to one count of possession of child pornography in violation of 18 U.S.C.A. § 2252A.

The investigation by the United States Postal Inspection Service revealed that the defendant had ordered videotapes from a known child pornographer between September, 1998 and June, 1999. A forensic examination review of the defendant's computer revealed movie images of children engaged in sexually explicit conduct. The defendant waived indictment and entered a plea of guilty to the one count Information.

United States Attorney Colantuono stated: "My office is committed to investigating and prosecuting those individuals who possess, traffic, or manufacture child pornography. The possession and distribution of these images continues to victimize innocent children who are the subjects of the images. This office will dedicate the resources necessary to assure that individuals who choose to victimize children in this way are brought to justice. I appreciate the efforts of the United States Postal Inspection Service for its diligent work in bringing to justice those who would collect images depicting the sexual abuse of children."

A sentencing hearing was scheduled for February 25, 2005. The defendant faces up to ten years in prison and fines up to \$250,000. The case was investigated by the United States Postal Inspection Service and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Helen White Fitzgibbon.